

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION  
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

**Project File No. 604531**

A Design Public Informational Meeting will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Assabet River Rail Trail project in the Towns of Acton and Maynard, MA.

**WHERE:**        **Acton Town Hall, Faulkner Room  
472 Main Street  
Acton, MA**

**WHEN:**        **Thursday, April 30, 2015 @ 7:00 PM**

**PURPOSE:**    The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed rail trail project. All views and comments made at the meeting will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

**PROPOSAL:**   The proposed rail trail project consists of linking the Assabet River National Wildlife refuge with the downtown Maynard Business District and the South Acton Commuter Rail Station. The limits of work are from the Stow/Maynard Town line to the MBTA station in Acton, a distance of 3.4 miles. The work will include replacement of the existing bridges at Tobin Park in Maynard and Mill Pond in Acton, and approximately 530' of new boardwalk in Acton. This multi-use trail will be constructed in accordance with applicable design guides.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The towns are responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this meeting.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the meeting shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the meeting begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Informational Meeting regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Roadway Project Management, Project File No. 604531. Such submissions will also be accepted at the meeting. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public informational meeting transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Informational Meeting. Project inquiries may be emailed to [dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us](mailto:dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us)

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In case of inclement weather, meeting cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at <http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/>

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